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Agricultural society seeks grounds renovations and upgrades Washracks, washrooms and more in store for Didsbury Agricultural Society grounds

BY MADISON SAMUEL-BARCLAY
Review Staff

Renovations and new additions to the Didsbury Agricultural Society Grounds are in the area's future. An official proposal and cost estimation for the various new items and fix-ups was presented to the County of Mountain View by the society outlining the future plans.

The grounds are located to the northwest of town and act as host to a variety of community and recreation events, such as the annual FCA Rodeo. While the site has played its part in bringing the community together, a need for upgrades to improve the area has set an official plan into action.

"We've always planned to have all of the facilities updated, it's been a matter of time and money," said Craig Anderson, second year Didsbury Ag. Society president and longtime member of the organization.

The proposed renovations and additions will also require fundraising and volunteer efforts to put the future plans into motion.

Currently a beer garden and three buildings are functional at the grounds, with finishing touches added to the garden to complete it by spring of 2012. The donated rodeo office, the announcer's booth and the pump-

house/mechanical building are in need of renovations, particularly with roofing and siding to make the facilities more structurally sound and more attractive to guests.

"We'd like to get the buildings completed before taking on any of the newer projects in the proposal," said Anderson. "However, we also don't want to not start any other new projects if we're able to do them and the opportunity and funding is there."

One of the new projects for the grounds is permanent toilet and washroom facilities, which the grounds currently do not have and are greatly needed.

However, a building deemed appropriate to create such facilities has been donated to the grounds and is to be fitted with the required plumbing, wiring and other accessories.

To better address inclement weather and expand the

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experience of events on the grounds, the society is also looking into the installation of a building that will serve as an indoor entertainment centre.

There is currently no donated or standing building to make into this facility, so plans to construct a pole building equipped with proper lighting and a concrete slab floor has been proposed.

Another new project, and one that will also greatly benefit the many livestock and similar event shows held at the grounds is the installation of washracks.

"We get a lot of people asking if we have washracks during the shows, and we don't," said Anderson. "If we had them, I think it would help draw more activity to the grounds for more events and shows because people would be better equipped to host there."

The proposed wash facilities will be installed in the barn area on the grounds, though consulting on cost estimations and other details have yet to be confirmed.

Late last month Mountain View County policies and priorities committee recommended council approve a \$5,000 contribution towards the washrack facilities.

"As an agricultural society, you're filling a very important need in the area," said Div. 1 Coun. Kevin Good, who made the motion.

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Julie Bertrand/For the Review

FATAL CRASH - An Ontario woman died when the car she was a passenger in crashed with a pickup truck at the intersection of Highway 2 and Amerada Road on Oct. 6. See story on pg. 2.



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Ontario woman dies in QEI collision

BY PAUL FREY
For The Review

A 62-year-old woman from North Bay, Ontario was killed on Thursday when the car she was riding in collided with an east-bound 2005 Ford pickup at the intersection of Queen Elizabeth II Highway and Amerada Road.

The collision occurred shortly before 1 p.m. when the pickup, driven by a 19-year-old male from Olds, attempted to cross both the north and southbound lanes of the QE II, just west of the highway. Police say while the pickup was attempting to cross the northbound lanes it drove directly in front of a black 2010 Nissan Sentra, being driven by a 26-year-old woman from Calgary.

Following the collision, the Sentra drove

into the eastside ditch while the pickup rolled and ended up on its side in the northbound lanes of the highway. The driver of the pickup was taken to the Olds Hospital and Care Centre, treated and released.

The driver of the Sentra was taken to a Calgary hospital. She was initially listed in serious condition but that has now been upgraded to stable. A three-year-old girl who was in the rear seat of the Sentra wasn't injured, but was taken to Calgary Social Services where she was turned over to the care of family members.

Police said all the occupants of both vehicles appeared to be wearing seatbelts. Alcohol was not a factor in the collision. As of press time Friday, police were continuing their investigation. No charges were laid as of press time.

Town holds on to old high school land

BY JOHNNIE
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The town has decided it will not sell off the old four-acre high school site for development.

Instead it will hold on to the land as its long-term vision for the future home of the Didsbury Library and the Town of Didsbury municipal offices.

"There is enough space for this down the road. That option is there. It is a plan. Nothing is written in stone," said Mayor

"From a vision perspective the best thing to do is to keep that land."

BRIAN WITTAL
Didsbury Mayor

Brian Wittal, adding it could be five to 10 years before any serious move is made to move the cur-

rent library and town offices to the old high school site.

Wittal said the decision not to immediately unload the land for development was made at a recent council retreat.

The land was recently eyed as a possible location for a senior's long-term care facility.

The property, now bare land located in the central part of town, was purchased three years ago from Chinook's Edge School Division for \$800,000.




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RIDE FOR TWO - From left Hailey Hosegood plays with her cousin Laila Watson at a playground next to the Didsbury Memorial Complex.



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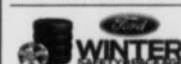
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Didsbury lagging behind Carstairs' mini real estate sales boom

More residential homes have been sold in town since boom days of 2007

BY JOHNNIE BACHUSKY
Review Staff

Bucking national and provincial trends Carstairs just finished its best month of residential real estate sales activity in almost five years.

Last month 12 homes were sold in Carstairs, the highest figure in the town of 2,800 citizens since January of 2007 when a dozen homes were also sold. The total sales volume of the 12 residential units sold was \$3,819,237. The average selling price was \$318,270.

The total sales volume last month exceeds the \$3,076,904 figure for January, 2007. As well, the September, 2011 average selling price for the 12 homes far surpasses the January, 2007 figure of \$256,409.

In 2007, there were a total of 90 residential units sold in Carstairs. So far this year there have been 57 homes sold. The average selling price for the first nine months of 2011 is \$305,338.

"Carstairs has struggled like every place else," said Mel Crothers, associate broker at Royal LePage Wildrose Real Estate.

"Being a small size it was a surprise to see that much volume go through."

In comparison, the town of Didsbury, which has twice the population of about 5,000, witnessed only three homes sold last month with an average selling price of \$254,667. In January, 2007, there were 11 homes sold in Didsbury at an average selling price of \$221,791.

Crothers believes there are two reasons why Carstairs is enjoying a mini-boom of real estate prosperity. First, there are more new homes in Carstairs than in other towns nearby. And secondly, the town has a closer proximity to Calgary, making it more attractive for commuters.

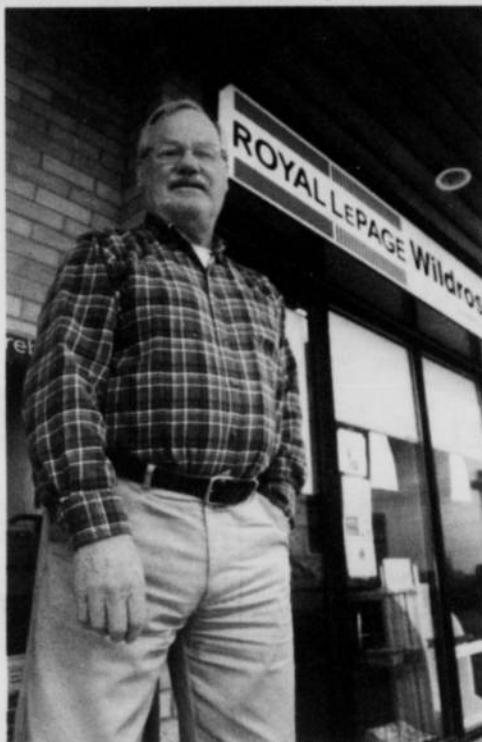
"Carstairs has been more consistent because there are more new homes on the market," said Crothers. "Commuters are 35 minutes shorter round trip, and that makes it easier to sell to commuters, especially when gas sells for \$1.06 a litre."

"The big driving force is newer homes, he adds. "They have retained their value while Didsbury is resale and more homes are sold at discounted prices."

He also said Carstairs is starting with a smaller inventory, with less older homes on the market.

As of Oct. 4 Carstairs had 80 homes listed for sale on the MLS listing service. Twelve of those homes are less than a year old. In comparison Didsbury had 86 homes listed for sale on Oct. 4. Six were less than a year old.

Last month's sharp spike for Carstairs is welcome news for the local and regional real estate industry which has



Johnnie Bachusky/Carstairs Courier

Mel Crothers, associate broker at Royal LePage Wildrose Real Estate, says Carstairs is well positioned to experience further heated sales action in the residential real estate industry.

struggled and stagnated since the recession began in 2008.

In 2008, 73 homes were sold in Carstairs compared to 90 the year before. The following year 68 homes were sold. It dropped again in 2010 with 62.

The average selling price per residential unit reached a high of \$309,614 in 2009 but fell sharply the next year to \$291,477.

Crothers predicts 80 houses will ultimately be sold in Carstairs in 2011, almost 20 more than in 2010.

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AG SOCIETY

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Fenced-in areas, to be used to better host events on the grounds, need to be installed or replaced as what fencing is currently on the grounds is now old.

Each project for the society has been outlined with estimated costs, and funds required based on volunteer time, donations, grant funding and other resources available.

The total estimated needed costs for these renovations and upgrades based on the listed proposal estimates comes to over



From left Didsbury Ag Society reps Shari Wareman, Craig Anderson, Ralene McCulloch and Lisa Bastarache make a presentation at a Mountain View County policies and priorities committee meeting last month.
Noel West/Didsbury Review

\$156,000, with work hopefully being started and completed in approximately two years, if all goes well.

"Having better grounds

brings more people into town, and can be used to benefit the community through events," explained Anderson.

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unteering with the society's projects or looking for more information may contact the Didsbury Ag Society's head office at 403-559-4494.

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Opinion

Didsbury's already feeling like home to me

MADISON SAMUEL-BARCLAY

Hello Didsbury! It feels like it wasn't very long ago that I was writing an introduction column for a newspaper.

While I'm originally from southern Ontario, I am coming to this community from Invermere, B.C., in the Columbia Valley of the Rocky Mountains.

I spent just over nine months working as a reporter at the *Invermere Valley Echo*, and now I am here to be your outstand-

ing editor and reporter for the *Didsbury Review*.

While I enjoyed the sights of the Columbia Valley and was fortunate enough to take in the mountains, forests, lakes and rivers almost every day, I couldn't help feeling a bit isolated in the area, with other towns so spread out and the nearest city not very near at all.

The price of living was high, and finding affordable essentials required hours of driving.

I decided it was time for a change, and I found a



great opportunity with the *Review* to put my skills to work and take in a whole new area.

Compared to the mountains I don't think I need to tell you that being here is

quite a contrast, but certainly not a bad one.

My father flew out from Ontario to visit and help me move. We filled up our vehicles in the Valley before driving the four hours straight to Didsbury.

After doing some unpacking and settling for a bit, my father went back out to get more gas and could not believe how much lower the gas prices were than in my former neck of the woods, and back home for him.

Still, it's a little bit sad when just over a buck a

litre is considered "cheap gas", but I'll revel in that difference for a little while until I'm used to things around here.

It's strange to think that come December, I'll have lived in three different provinces in a little under a year.

That's a lot of adventuring for a small-town girl!

I feel very much at home here in this community though, and I'm looking forward to working and living here (though maybe not as much during the winter, as people keep

telling me to brace for that).

If you see me around town or stroll past or into my office and want to say hello, please feel free! I'm very eager to introduce myself to the community and meet others, and will always be looking for new stories to report on.

While it's difficult to guarantee that every story idea brought to me will see a written article published in the paper, I'm more than interested to hear about what's going on in and around town that I might not be aware of.

Letter to the Editor

Enraged senior, concerned taxpayer letters off the mark

Over the past few weeks there have been a couple of letters of concern from residents in the *Didsbury Review* that I am responding to in an effort to clarify some of the errors in detail that have been suggested.

In regards to Mr. Harvey's letter of late tax payment penalty from Sept. 6 ('Senior enraged with late tax penalty,' page 4, *Didsbury Review*).

Yes, he was one day late and for that he is assessed a late payment penalty of four per cent per month as per policy.

How he came up with an annual rate of 33,500 per cent I am not sure, but it is incorrect.

If you are late with a payment for any household bill, payment penalties are a reality in life that you must manage. Unfortunately, late fees do not discern if you are a senior, student, single parent or someone on fixed income, so it is left to each of us to manage our affairs according to the rules set out.

As the mayor, I cannot supersede council or any policy of council, as I am only one vote of seven.

When Mr. Harvey first e-mailed me I asked him if it was a banking transaction error that made his payment late and he said no, it was he who was late in making the payment.

I then clarified this with administration and this was confirmed from our banking information. I then took the matter before all of council at a Committee of the Whole meeting, and the decision of council was that the late fee would apply. Council did not feel that they could make this exception when they had turned down other similar requests.

I responded to Mr. Harvey advising that council would not rescind the late fee. Mr. Harvey then requested to come before council to plead his case, so we arranged for him to attend the next council meeting where he did not show up, so we rescheduled him to the September meeting where he berated council for being loan sharks.

Due to this delay he is now upset because he was charged a second month's late payment fee on the outstanding penalty amount. If he had paid when I had conveyed council's decision to him earlier, he would not have been assessed the additional four per cent on the outstanding late fee.

In the end, council did not believe that the majority of Didsbury residents would have approved if we had forgiven Mr. Harvey his late payment penalty.

To do so would have set a precedent that would have meant having to go back and make corrections to other requests for leniency that had been turned down prior to Mr. Harvey's request.



There are monthly payment plans that can be utilized for paying taxes or you can drop off a date deferred cheque if you so choose. If you choose to wait until the last day to pay your taxes, you run the risk of something happening that will put you in a penalty situation. If that does happen, it was your decision and it is your responsibility.

So no, I did not throw away my common sense in this matter as Mr. Harvey states.

I applied the appropriate process as governed by the Municipal Government Act of the Province of Alberta on behalf of all the residents of Didsbury by following the policy created by council to ensure that everyone is treated equitably.

In regards to Gerri Anderson's comments this past week about council taking a trip to Japan earlier this year ('Council could make other changes to curb spending,' page 4, Sept. 27 *Didsbury Review*), let me clarify the misinformation that she seems to have.

The last trip to Japan was April of 2010, over 18 months ago (not earlier this year as stated), and the only council member to go on that trip was me. Flights were paid for using Avion points and the actual cash costs for me were less than \$3,000. The focus of that trip was for economic development and we were able to come back

from that trip with a contract in place with a Japanese glove manufacturer (Le Gants) from Miki Town to produce and sell a Didsbury Brand winter glove from which the Town of Didsbury will receive royalties from any gloves sold in the future.

Yes, there are plans for another student exchange trip back to Miki Town this April and yes, council has discussed if we should send representatives back once again. With there being a new mayor in Miki Town he was anxious to meet me and to try to work on building new joint business opportunities between our communities.

A couple of councillors had expressed an interest in going on the trip as well, and if they go they are going as a citizen of Didsbury and will be paying their own way. There will be no burden on the taxpayers of Didsbury for their trip.

I was planning on a return trip this April but as of a couple of weeks ago I have declined to go due to personal reasons.

So rest easy Gerri, council is not wasting your tax dollar on trips to Japan!

These are the facts so please spread them around!

Mayor Brian Wittall
Didsbury

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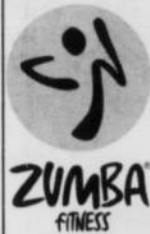
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NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

DP 11-53	1710B - 20 Street	Fascia Sign	C1
DP 11-54	29 Bluebird Drive	Single Family Dwelling w/attached garage, rear deck	R2
DP 11-55	38 Bluebird Drive	Single Family Dwelling w/attached garage, rear deck	R2
DP 11-56	42 Bluebird Drive	Single Family Dwelling w/attached garage, rear deck	R2

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Avenue or by calling 403.335.3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees, to the Secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on October 25, 2011.

Dani Woodman - Development Officer

21 AVENUE TRAFFIC CHANGES

Please be advised that traffic along 21 Avenue between 21 Street and 22 Street will change to 2-way traffic in the very near future.

Your Public Works Department will be erecting new signage in the next two weeks so please watch for this important change in traffic flow.



BYLAW CORNER



Effective immediately the Town of Didsbury will no longer rent out cat traps.

Overnight temperatures are now reaching below 0, which can be dangerous for any cat contained in a trap. Those residents using their own traps are also advised to cease with trapping until next year.

Thank you,
 Melissa Trotter, Community Peace Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE—FRANCHISE FEE INCREASE

Please be advised that the Town of Didsbury is proposing to increase the local access fee, which is charged to FortisAlberta Inc. (FortisAlberta) for use of municipal lands for its power lines effective January 1st, 2012.

The fee is recovered by FortisAlberta from its customers as the local municipal access fee on electric billings of all customers that receive electric service in the Town of Didsbury. This local access fee will be increased from \$2.97 (7.5%) to \$5.25 (12.5%) of the delivery charge of FortisAlberta, excluding energy related riders. This calculation is based on 625kWh consumption in 30 days.

Questions or concerns should be directed to Kynan Larson, Chief Financial Officer at 403.335.3391.

Commentary

New premier Redford faces many challenges

DAN SINGLETON
For the Review

Premier Alison Redford's razor-thin win over Gary

Mar in the Progressive Conservative leadership vote leaves her facing many challenges, both within her party and

province-wide. For the opposition parties, the challenges are no less daunting, particularly if the newly elected pre-

mier can unite her party quickly and head to the polls while she's still on a roll.

As with all other Albertans, residents in West Central Alberta also have a lot at stake in the battles now pending in the run-up to the next election.

Redford, who was sworn in as premier in Friday, has already started to outline her provincial election campaign strategy.

She reportedly said she will start working immediately to fulfill her key leadership campaign pledges, including restoring more than \$100 million in education, launching a public inquiry into allegations of political meddling in the health-care system, and starting work to bring in a balanced budget.

"I believe it's entirely fea-

sible to do it and I haven't changed my mind on that," she said.

Of course making promises and fulfilling them can be two entirely different things, and the opposition parties and the general public will be watching closely from this day forward to see whether Premier Redford lives up to her assurances.

Wildrose Alliance leader Danielle Smith has been quick to throw down the gauntlet against Redford, making it clear to all that she plans to challenge the new premier now and down the road on her record and conduct as part of Ed Stelmach's cabinet.

Recently-elected Liberal leader Raj Sherman has surprised no one in saying that health care will be the top issue in the next elec-

tion campaign.

NDP leader Brian Mason says the Legislature should be called to session sooner rather than later so opposition parties can question Redford's plan.

Over the coming months the various political leaders will be criss-crossing the province to get their respective messages across to voters. When they visit West Central Alberta they will no doubt hear about the need for more infrastructure funding, improvements to hospitals and schools, and closer cooperation with other levels of government.

This week Albertans are welcoming Alison Redford to the premiership, wishing her well and thanking her for assuming this vital and sure-to-be challenging public service role.

2011 FALL PRODUCER MEETINGS & ELECTIONS

ZONE 3 (ALL MEETINGS 7 p.m. START EXCEPT SUNDRE)

OCT 25 COCHRANE, RANCHEHOUSE
Brian Perillat, CanFax

OCT 26 SUNDRE, SENIORS CENTRE
7:30 p.m. START
Chuck MacLean, ABP Chair

OCT 27 STRATHMORE, GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB
John Masswohl, CCA

ZONE 3 INCLUDES:

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In accordance with the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, Taylor Processing Inc. has applied to Alberta Environment for an amendment to an existing approval to construct a new natural gas fired 12.26 MW Cogeneration Facility at its Harmattan Gas Plant. The project will also include refrigeration modernization and the replacement of two compressors with an electric Solar Taurus 70 turbine. The operation is located at NW 1/4 of Section 27 Township 31 Range 4 West of the 5th Meridian, 15 km north of Cremona and 20 km West of Didsbury.

Pursuant to section 73 of the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, any person who is directly affected by this operation may submit a written statement of concern regarding this application. Failure to file a statement of concern may affect the right to file a Notice of Appeal with the Environmental Appeals Board. Such a statement of concern must be submitted to:

Director of Southern Region
Alberta Environment
Regulatory Approvals Center
9th Floor, 9820 - 106 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2J6
Fax: (780) 422-0154

within 30 days of the date of this notice. Please quote Application No. 021-10154 when submitting a statement of concern in regards to the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act application.

NOTE: Any statements filed regarding this application are public records which are accessible by the public.

Copies of the application and additional information can be obtained from:

Taylor Processing Inc.
Attention: Neil Guay
1700 - 355 4 AVE SW
Calgary, Alberta T2P 0J1
Telephone: (403) 691-7137
Fax: (403) 691-7576

Letter to the Editor Thoughtless driver left cat to die

It may just be another stupid cat to you and most people.

Whoever you are that hit the cat and drove away Thursday evening, Oct. 6 around 7:10 p.m. heading west into Didsbury on Hwy. 582 at the crest of the hill, you left your damaged goods in the middle of the road.

I was driving east out of town and saw the cat, still alive, on the other side of the road. I slowed down and saw blood and feces on it. I noticed it was still breathing and I scooped it up in my coat.

Thank you to Dr. Laureen Hall, vet and owner at Olds Pet Clinic. She euthanized the suffering cat - it could not be saved.

I would rather choose to be like me, than you who doesn't give a darn and take time to check if you killed it or not - leaving it to be run over again and again.

Most animals don't die on impact. They suffer terribly with broken bones and respiratory failure.

It is not the time or responsibility I took to pay for the euthanasia fee - it's the inconsiderateness for someone to clean up someone else's damage that bothers me.

People - a little more care for our furry friends would be nice while we drive.

Lynn Metschall
Didsbury



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Beginning October 17, Influenza Immunization will be available, free of charge, to all Albertans six months of age & older.

Upcoming Clinics		
Date/Time		Location
Wednesday, Oct. 19	9:00am - 7:00pm	Didsbury District Hospital 1210 - 20 Avenue Didsbury, Alberta
Thursday, Oct. 20	9:00am - 7:00pm	
Wednesday, Oct. 26	9:00am - 3:30pm	
Thursday, Oct. 27	9:00am - 3:30pm	
Wednesday, Nov. 2	12:00pm - 7:00pm	
Saturday, Nov. 19	8:00am - 3:30pm	

Please bring Alberta Health Care Card. Short sleeves recommended.

For more info, including local clinic details, visit www.albertahealthservices.ca or call HealthLink Alberta at 1.866.408.5465 (LINK).

Dorins awaiting verdict on purchase for assisted-living facility

BY JARED SIEMENS
Review Staff

Didsbury residents and landowners Herman and Shirley Dorin are currently awaiting a verdict from tentative land purchasers Bethany Care Society, who are completing preliminary evaluations of the land to determine if it is suitable for their proposed 100-unit assisted living and continuing care facility.

"Bethany has to make sure that this piece of property is pristine and meets all their requirements," said Dorin. The land, located at 1233 15 Ave. in Didsbury, could soon be home to a much-needed senior-oriented assisted living facility, which will be owned and operated by Bethany Care Society of Calgary.

"As far as we're concerned, we have a piece of property. They wanted a piece of property. And this is as close to meeting their needs as they could find," said Shirley Dorin.

"So we've made a tentative agreement, and that has not been sealed yet."

"So if you're having a choice of a lot of houses – which five and a half acres could accommodate – or a building like Bethany's, I think most of our neighbours would be more in agreement to have (the latter)."

SHIRLEY DORIN
Landowner

Conditional approval for subdivision of the Dorins' land (5.5 acre plot from a 114.55 acre parcel) was recently granted by Didsbury MPC.

"We were kind of surprised," said Shirley Dorin of Bethany's interest in their land, noting that there were other parcels in close proximity to the hospital.

But the chosen plot is also quite close to the Didsbury Hospital, which Dorin said will offer convenience.

"Bethany has been very patient until we got this past the town, and I think people are very positive about having this happen."

Development officer Dani Woodman confirmed this at an MPC

meeting last month, noting no objections or negative feedback have been received from adjacent neighbours regarding the proposed facility's presence in the area.

"It seems to me that it would be more desirable for ourselves and for our neighbours, so that's why we thought it was appropriate," said Dorin.

"If you look at it esthetically, we try to please our neighbours. We try to keep that in mind," said Dorin.

"So if you're having a choice of a lot of houses – which five and a half acres could accommodate – or a building like Bethany's, I think most of our neighbours would be more in agreement to have (the latter)," she said.

She said that she and her husband figured neighbouring residents would far prefer a singular building with nice landscaping and presumably limited traffic to "having a lot of houses" on the land.

"If you think of all the traffic there would be with multi-housing, it would be quite a different thing."

The Dorins' land is currently used as pasture, she said, and horses and goats roam freely there.

"We've lived on this piece of property for a long time," said Dorin, noting that she is 79 and her husband is 82.

"There's lots of static – people with different ideas about what we should be doing with our place," said Dorin.

"We could have sold our property many times over, and we haven't done that."

So why have the Dorins decided to sell their land now?

"A person sells property because they need money. You know what I mean?" she said with a chuckle.

"We're not getting any younger."

In recent weeks, Greer Black, president and CEO of Bethany Care Society, said they are now focusing on surveying the property, completing an environmental assessment, and finalizing the land purchase.

"We're moving forward on a number of fronts – our discussions with the government, with the land purchase, and the plans – in some cases it's slower than what we'd anticipated."

"We have not finalized land purchase issues yet," said Black. "But we're working on it."

Although Bethany Care Society is aiming to begin construction in the spring, Black said that how puzzle pieces of planning, designing and approval processes come together would dictate whether that start date is a reasonable one.



Ron Becker and wife Verna at a fundraiser held earlier this year.

Becker receives double-lung transplant

BY JARED SIEMENS
Review Staff

After nine long months of being on a wait-list for a double lung transplant, Didsbury resident Ron Becker received a call on Sept. 2 alerting him to make his way to the University of Alberta (U of A) Hospital in Edmonton, as his lungs were ready.

The 54-year-old was diagnosed with Alpha-1 Antitrypsin – a genetic disease that degrades lung tissue – in 2004, a mere six months after he married his wife, Verna.

In addition, Ron has also battled COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), which only worsened his condition.

Due to his restricted breathing ability, Ron was required to be on oxygen for the last four years.

Now that he has a new set of lungs, he will no longer have to suffer with the effects of Alpha-1 Antitrypsin, COPD, and eventually, the burden of being tethered to an oxygen tank, said Becker.

"It felt different – great – to breathe on my own," said Becker of when he woke up. His voice comes through the phone's speaker softly, slowly and thoughtfully.

"I'm on oxygen a little bit," he said with a pause. "I am a little short of breath right now."

Now that he has a working set of disease-free lungs, Becker said he wants to start over.

"I just want to have a new life with my wife. First thing I want to do is take my wife, and go on a little holiday somewhere. Anywhere. I don't care."

"But it won't be too far just yet. I know that."

Becker said he will have to remain away from smoke for a couple of years, "I can't go firefighting yet," he joked.

Tensions ran high in recent weeks, as he had been growing increasingly tired and weak, prompting a series of tests that revealed Becker had developed a blood clot in each of his new lungs.

"They've got me on an IV with blood thinners, and they're trying to get my strength back up again," said Becker.

Verna said she has simply been trying to ride the emotional roller coaster with her husband, and said she has found it challenging to figure out how to help him at times.

With Ron not appreciating being pushed to do more than he feels able to do, and Verna wanting to push him to get well, the couple were at an impasse between two things Ron needed – rest and rehabilitation.

"I try to push him a little bit, but he kind of digs his

heels in. It's very difficult," she said.

"It's going to take quite a while. They've done a big number on him."

"He's in quite a bit of pain, and that's hard to see. I'm tired, because it's very emotional, and I'm not sleeping at night. That doesn't help either."

While Becker will likely remain in Edmonton for up to three months after the surgery date (to ensure any complications can be quickly taken care of), he said he anticipates being discharged from the hospital soon, at which time he will go live with his wife in a condo they have rented nearby.

Verna has been staying in the one-bedroom furnished condo owned by GoodHearts Mentoring Foundation, which provides the condo for rent to transplant patients being treated at the U of A Hospital.

"It's a godsend to be able to have the place. I stressed over that so much. When the call comes, where were we going to stay?" said Verna.

The condo is located four city blocks away from the U of A Hospital where Ron was treated and is currently staying.

"He'll come to the condo, and I'll drive him back and forth Monday through Friday for physio and doctor's appointments."

"He made it through the surgery well, but there is a lot to go through yet," said Verna.

If his body decides to reject its new lungs, it will most likely take place within the first year, she said, so daily tests are being conducted that are able to tell if rejection is setting in.

"Supposedly, after three months, we can go home. And then the Calgary doctors can deal with us again."

Thankfully, the Beckers' church has been very supportive of Ron and Verna throughout Ron's battle with the disease.

"I'm glad I belong to the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church. They've been very good to me – I don't know what I'd do without them."

Back in June, Zion raised money that was put toward the Beckers' expenses during Ron's (at the time) pending surgery.

"It's overwhelming you know. The community of the town of Didsbury all came together and pitched in," he said.

In addition to the church and community's help, Wal-Mart, Ron's former employer, also helped fundraise for him.

"Anything we've received for this has been really, really helpful."

"I look forward to going home. I miss my church. I miss my town."

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FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Welcome to Fire Prevention Week 2011

This year, perhaps more than other years, fire prevention is top of mind for Albertans. After witnessing the extent of property damaged in the Slave Lake fire, we are reminded that fire can cause horrific loss.

Fire Prevention Week is an opportunity for us to reach out to Albertans with information about how to prevent fires and how to stay safe if a fire does occur.

The theme of this year's

Fire Prevention Week is Protect your Family from Fire.

There are things we can all do to keep our families safe like creating a fire escape plan and practicing it with your family, regularly checking your smoke alarms and ensuring you take steps to reduce the chance of fire in your home.

The Alberta Emergency Management Agency's mandate is to protect peo-

ple, their property, the environment and the economy from the effects of emergency events.

Practicing fire safety will protect your family, friends and neighbours, and the emergency responders dispatched during fire emergencies. Together we can reduce the number of fires and fire-related tragedies.

Dana Woodworth
AEMA Managing Director

Firefighter shares her story

BY MADISON SAMUEL-BARCLAY
Review Staff

The world of firefighting had always been a field of interest for Paula Drever.

"It was something that always fascinated me," said Drever.

"Me and a friend from the curling club went for it together. I really wanted to give back to the community."

Since then, Drever has been with the Didsbury Fire Department for six years, working in Calgary during weekdays.

First entering the force was a unique experience for Drever, tasked with some interesting training to become a qualified firefighter.

"One of the things that really threw me during the training was the air packs," said Drever.

"The first time I put it on, it was a totally different world. At that time too it was the old-style mask with the long trunk on the front. It was hard to breathe in and I thought

"How do you guys do this?"

Drever had been given a pager from the department the night of her first "big" fire, just in time to answer to the call.

"I had just got my pager the night before," Drever explained. "I remember the first thing I said to my husband was, 'How do I

smoke," Drever laughed.

"But it wasn't until after the fire was out that I really looked at things differently. I just followed my buddy in front in to do my job, and later I was on the roof to extinguish from there. When everything was done I thought, 'Oh - now I have to get down from here'. That's when the entirety of the fire sunk in."

Drever notes that grass and wild fires are among the most common fires in the Didsbury area and county, and that prevention of such events can be a simple matter of awareness.

"Just be aware of the wind when burning things and the dryness," said Drever.

"A lot of fires can start from the combines working and when farmers drive out into the fields in pickups, from the heat of the exhaust. It's understandable that people want to get out there and get their jobs done, but it can become a hazard if the circumstances are wrong."

"But it wasn't until after the fire was out that I really looked at things differently."

PAULA DREVER
Firefighter, Didsbury Fire Department

know if it works?" Then later it goes off so I can answer to a house fire."

The structural fire was a large one that Drever recalls entering into with a rush of adrenalin.

"The first thing I thought when I arrived at the scene was 'Wow - I can't see nothing!' because of the

Open house 2011

The Didsbury Fire Department is seeking physically fit men and women who are looking to give back to their community, and any and all interested or just looking to enjoy the day are invited to attend the department's open house on October 15.

The event will begin at 11 a.m. and end at around 2 p.m., at the department's location at 2101 19 Avenue in Didsbury.

The open house will feature a barbecue and several presentations by the department, including a presentation for former fire chief Rick Mousseau.

Last year's open house saw an excellent

turnout, and the department anticipates an equally fun and busy day for all as well.

The department responds to a variety of calls such as structure fires, motor vehicle accidents, and medical assists.

Being a member requires extensive training and knowledge of all aspects of fire prevention and firefighting techniques, which will be provided.

The basic requirements for applying include a class five driver's licence, a criminal background check, first aid and CPR (Class C), living within the town limits, and the ability to respond to day calls.

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FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

An early start to firefighting

BY MADISON SAMUEL-
BARCLAY
Review Staff

Braydon Snyder, first-year firefighter with the Didsbury Fire Department, had an interest in the field as early as 10-years-old, after a significant event.

"Rick Mousseau was the original inspiration to become a firefighter," said Snyder. "He was the first to attend to the grass fire that happened near our farm when I was a kid."

The grass fire occurred next to Snyder's home while his parents were out.

Garbage was burning in a legal barrel when flames escaped from the top due to the wind and caught on the grass nearby.

However, after Mousseau, former fire chief for the Didsbury Fire Department, arrived on scene and, shortly after, other staff members from the department, the flames were dealt with.

"It's really important for kids to know to call 911 first," said Snyder. "At the time of the grass fire I didn't call right

away, and when I did I didn't stay on the line. I just rushed out and grabbed a hose and started trying to put out the fires myself."

Since working with the Didsbury department, Snyder has seen his old fire-extinguishing skills first renowned as a kid put to use against other grass fires in and around the area, and a few structural and other severe fires as well.

"One of the worst fires I went to was a sulphur fire," Snyder explained. "It was very dangerous. I remember when we got there, it had first come in as a major hazard. All I could see was molten sulphur on fire at the scene. I was told to put on air because breathing otherwise was highly dangerous. There were about 10 trenches full of these fires."

Working with the fire department has been a positive experience for Snyder, and for his connection with the community.

"I've been in Didsbury all my life. It feels good to help out the community like this, and you get such an adrenalin rush from it," said Snyder.



Firefighters from Carstairs, Didsbury and Olds fight a fire at a mobile home south of the intersection of Hwy. 582 and Hwy. 791 on Sept. 2.

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FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Keep your cool when the alarm sounds

Imagine awakening from your sleep to hear your smoke alarm beeping. You are groggy, confused and scared. This is a time when many people panic and end up making serious - sometimes fatal - mistakes.

Make sure that everyone in your home knows exactly what to do when the alarm sounds or there is smoke or fire. A good escape plan that your family has practiced will help everyone deal with a scary situation in a calm and safe manner.

- Get out quickly if there is a fire because fire moves extremely fast. You may have only three minutes or less before the toxic smoke overtakes you. Please visit: www.3minutedrill.alberta.ca
- Teach children to never hide in closets or under beds.
- Choose two ways out of every room. If heat or smoke blocks the usual fire exit (door), then use the second way out (another door or the window).
- Test doors before

opening them:

- Feel the door and look for smoke coming in around the edges.

- If the door is not hot and there is no smoke coming in, open it slowly, but be prepared to slam it shut if heat or smoke rush in.

- If the door is hot, use your other exit.

- If you must escape through smoke, get low and go under the smoke to the nearest exit. Smoke will rise to the ceiling, leaving cooler, cleaner air close to the floor.

- Parents should take into account the limitations of young children, the elderly or disabled when planning a fire escape.

- If you live in an apartment building and the smoke alarm goes off, only use the stairs. Never use an elevator.

- Choose a family meeting spot, a safe distance away from the home. It can be as simple as meeting under a neighbour's tree.

- Practice, practice, practice. If your family has

rehearsed various emergencies regularly, they will know exactly what to do if the real thing occurs.

When you are making your escape plan, do not assume young children will be woken by a smoke alarm.

According to recent research, children under the age of nine experience the deepest sleep of all groups studied. If you have young children at home, it is best to practice your home fire escape drill during sleeping hours.

It is an adult's responsibility to awaken young children during a fire emergency and get them out safely.

For more information on fire safety in Alberta, contact your municipality's fire or emergency service or Alberta Emergency Management Agency at 780-422-9000 (dial 310-0000 for toll-free access outside Edmonton), email aema@gov.ab.ca or visit www.aema.alberta.ca and click on the Public Education & Awareness tab.

Sharing prevention knowledge

BY MADISON SAMUEL-BARCLAY
Review Staff

Pat Dodman has worked as a volunteer firefighter for many years, first starting in Olds in the field in 1989 before joining the Didsbury Fire Department's staff in 1995 when he moved to the area.

"I always thought it would be kind of cool, and it was a way to help the community and meet it too," said Dodman, who has been with the Didsbury department for 15 years now. "At the time when I first started, I was new to Olds, and I wanted to meet people, so I joined. I did the same in Didsbury when I came here."

When Dodman first entered the firefighting field he was in college, studying agricultural work.

The training experience was completely new and unexpected for Dodman, as he had little knowledge of what to expect going into it.

"It was really interesting, and I was really young at the time, so everything was new," said Dodman.

His first fire, a harsh attic fire while working at the Olds department, gave Dodman his first fright.

"It was extremely scary, this attic fire," Dodman explained. "They gave me an air pack and that was it, in I went to do my job."

Grass, wild and barn fires are common in Didsbury and the surrounding area, and while outdoor burning and machinery can lend themselves to starting them, there's another cause that can lead to flames sparking.

"People throwing cigarettes out windows can cause them too," said Dodman.

For those with legal burning barrels, it is important to be aware of the area around the burning site and to net the flames correctly, especially when it's windy, as wind can knock just a small flame out and onto the grass, where a fire can spark.

"Machinery and exhaust heat can also cause fires," Dodman explained. "With farm machinery, being aware and keeping it in good condition and doing regular maintenance helps to prevent fires happening."

As for fire prevention at home, Dodman suggests keeping an eye on and cleaning furnace motors once a year, and changing batteries on fire alarm systems when necessary.

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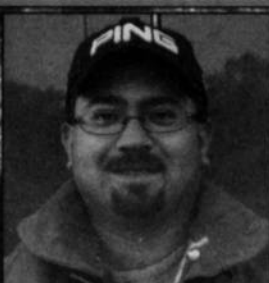
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is everyone's responsibility to prevent fires in the home and ensure their own safe evacuation.

Fire Prevention Week reminds all Albertans about the tragedies and loss fires can cause. More importantly, it reminds Albertans

about the ways they can prevent fires and protect themselves and their families.

I encourage everyone to visit our interactive website at www.3minutedrill.alberta.ca where you can learn more about home fire safety.

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Yours in fire safety,

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KING HIRAM LODGE #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

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DIDSBURY AND AREA SUPPORT GROUP For friends and families of people with Alzheimer's Disease and other forms of dementia. Join us the last Monday of each month 7-9 p.m. Aspen Ridge Lodge, 1100 - 20 Ave., Didsbury. 403-335-9848. Dolina Watson, 403-335-7285.

DIDSBURY & DISTRICT HEALTH SERVICES AUXILIARY monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in Unit 4 at the hospital.

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SUPPER INVITATION - The Didsbury Lions Club welcomes men & lady visitors at their supper meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month, 6:45 p.m. at the 5-0 Club. For information and to RSVP call 403-335-9173 or 403-335-4796.

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FRIDAYS - CRIBBAGE STARTS at the Elks Hall - 7:00pm.

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Sports



Noel West/Didsbury Review

Olds College volleyball players Lance Davidson, middle left, and Kennan Hedley show a diving technique to a group of grade 7 and 8 students from around the county at the Ralph Klein Centre in Olds last Wednesday.

Volleyball players get tips on improving game

BY PAUL FREY
For the Review

About 160 students from around the region took in a volleyball camp on Wednesday put on by the Olds College players and coaches. The clinic took place just prior to an exhibition match between the University of Alberta Golden Bears men's volleyball team and the University of Calgary Dinos at the Ralph Klein Centre.

Becky Stachuk, a member of the Olds High School Spartans senior girls volleyball team, said the camp

focused a lot on passing as a key part of the game.

"I thought it was a really good camp. We just learned more about our basic skills and what we need to do to win."

CASSANDRA RASMUSSEN
Didsbury Dragons

"The coach really emphasized that passing is one of

the most important parts of volleyball and without a good pass, you can't have a good set and you can't get a good hit so we worked a lot on passing and defence," she said.

Stachuk said she learned a lot from the camp.

"The coach was really knowledgeable and he really gave you pointers and tips on how to improve your passing," she said.

Cassandra Rasmussen, a member of the Didsbury Dragons junior varsity team, thought it was an excellent camp.

"I thought it was a really

good camp. We just learned more about our basic skills and what we need to do to win," she said.

Nichole Schneidmiller, also a member of the Dragons junior varsity team, said setting and communication were the keys for her that she got out of

the camp.

"We know how to yell now," she said.

Schneidmiller said if everyone on the team uses the skills they learned at the camp, it should help their success.

"If we use what we learned today, we're defi-

nately going to get farther because you need a lot of communication (on the court). It was definitely worth it," she said.



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JV girls win gold

The Didsbury High School Junior Girls Volleyball team captured a gold medal at their first tournament of the season in Rimbey the first weekend of October.

They finished first in their pool posting a 7 and 1 record with wins over Rimbey, Innisfail B, Drayton Valley and a split with Tofield.

They won a close 3 game semi-final match with Innisfail A putting the Junior Dragons into the final against the host team from Rimbey.

The Dragons came out strong in the final match demonstrating team unity enabling them to win the championship 25 - 17 and 25 - 5.

- Submitted



Photo submitted

The Didsbury Dragons junior varsity girls volleyball team finished in first place at a recent tournament in Rimbey. Pictured front row: Carli Dunn, Kyra Paulgaard. Middle Row: Katie Crawford, Ayden Christensen, Mikaela Epp, Dayna Goerzen. Back Row: Iain Paton, Clair Nixon, Kass Taylor, Anna Houtman, Molly Godsall, Henry Paulgaard. Missing: Anika Creighton, and Taylor Derksen.

Sixteen schools participate in fun run

BY SYLVIA COLE
For The Review

More than 1,000 elementary and middle school students ran through Innisfail's Centennial Park on a chilly Thursday morning, competing against one another.

This was the first year Innisfail Middle School hosted the Chinook's Edge School Division Cross Country Fun Run that based in students from K-6 from 16 different schools.

"This is a chance for the kids to have some fun and burn off some energy," said middle school athletic director, Pat Adams, amidst the hustle and bustle of 1,013 students racing around, chatting, and some warming by a fire.

Groups took off one after another, the youngest grades going first.

"It was lots of fun," said Laura Balkwill of Sundre, who placed first for girls in Grade 1. Hannah Sheehan, from Olds Koinonia Christian School came in right behind her. "I practise a lot," said the soft-spoken athlete of her secret for surpassing over 60 other girls.

Grade 1 and 2 students ran 100 metres, 2 and 4 ran 1,500 and the Grade 5 and 6 students ran 2,000.

Grade 6 Garrick Lee, from Innisfail Middle School, waited patiently by the finish line for his brother and sister to come in.

"I'm waiting to cheer them on," said Garrick, who was impressed when his brother took 48th place.

"It's cool we all get to run together." By the end of the race, kids were shedding jackets and catching their breath down on the grass.

"It was cold, it makes you almost dizzy," said Innisfail Middle School student Kaitlyn Bowe. "It's a little hard in the cold, but I think I'd do it again," added friend Olivia Motley. The two finished in 33rd and 34th place.

Results:

Grade 6 Boys:
Reid Jacobs, RVS
Kaleb Furst, OKCS

See Run on p.15

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Shannon McDowell/For the Review

GETTING READY - Hundreds of runners, including those from Didsbury and Carstairs schools, snake up through the hills on their walk-through of the track for the cross-country zone championship at Canmore Oct. 5.

RUN

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Dylan Price, RVS
MacGregor Manyluk,
Poplar Ridge School
Joel Pedrow, RVS

Grade 6 Girls

Kayden Byrtus, Delburne
Dani Forsberg, Elnora
Mikayla Dowler, IMS
Deshann Valentine, RVS
Chance Duda, Delburne

Grade 5 Boys

Nick Ross, RVS
Samuel Moffat, Deer
Meadow
Vince Vant Klooster, Deer
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Trevor Simpson, RVS
Carter Graf, Poplar Ridge

Grade 5 Girls

Abi Hartzler, HSS
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Regan Dagg, Deer
Meadow
Jaymie Conrad, HSS

Grade 4 Boys

Steven Bell, Olds
Elementary
Ronan Seely, OKCS
Aiden Good, Carstairs
Mason Mueller, RVS
Matt Fluet, RVS

Grade 4 Girls

Amelia Furst, OKCS
Kendra Ross, RVS
Katie Keller, Carstairs
Christa Hooper, Carstairs
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Grade 3 Boys - Heat 1

Joseph Andrews, OKCS
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Grade 3 Girls

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Elementary
Alex Peterson, RVS
Ellie Peterson, Olds
Elementary
Kennedy Chrest, Olds
Elementary
Megan Borys, JDES

Grade 2 Boys

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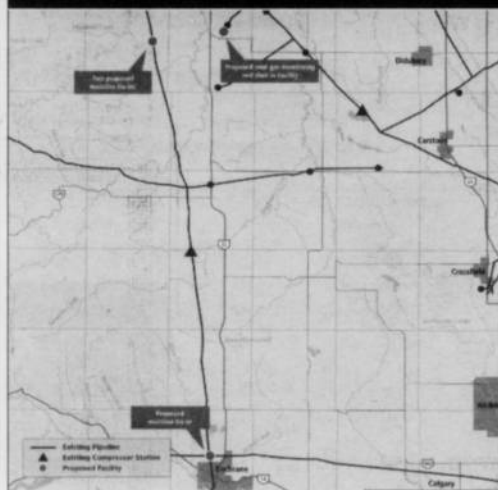
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Public Notice

TransCanada's Proposed Harmattan Co-Stream Facilities Project



NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL) and Foothills Pipelines (Alta), wholly-owned subsidiaries of TransCanada Pipeline Limited (TransCanada), is proposing to construct and operate three underground pipeline tie-ins located at existing NGTL and Foothills valve sites and one sour gas monitoring and shut-in facility, to be located adjacent to the existing AltaGas Harmattan Gas plant.

Project Details:

- Two underground 24 inch diameter mainline underground tie-ins located at NGTL's existing valve site and Foothills' right-of-way SE 23-31-5W5M, approximately 15 km southeast of Sundre, Alberta
- Sour gas monitoring and shut-in facility located adjacent to the AltaGas Harmattan Gas Plant at NE 27-31-4W5M, approximately 22 km southeast of Sundre, Alberta. The facility site, located entirely on AltaGas property will be approximately 20 meters x 20 meters in size
- One underground 24 inch diameter mainline underground tie-in located within NGTL's existing valve site at NE 16-26-4W5M, approximately 1 km north of Cochrane, Alberta

The proposed pipeline tie-in facilities are required in order to flow gas from the Alberta System to the inlet of the AltaGas Harmattan Gas Plant. The sour monitoring and shut-in facility is required in order to monitor the quality of the gas within AltaGas' pipeline and to stop the flow of sour gas through the pipeline facility should that be required.

An application to construct these facilities is expected to be filed with the National Energy Board (NEB) on November 3rd, 2011. Pending regulatory approvals, construction is expected to commence in April 2012. The facilities are targeted to be in-service in June 2012.

TransCanada encourages public input with respect to this Project and the planned NEB application. Anyone having an interest in this Project is invited to contact us prior to October 21st, 2011.

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Charges pending against Edmonton man in death crash

BY JOHNNIE BACHUSKY
Review Staff

Criminal charges are pending against an Edmonton man following an alcohol-related two-vehicle crash on the QEII on Oct. 1 that claimed the life of his friend.

The man, who was the driver of one of the vehicles, was charged by police at a Calgary hospital immediately following the fatal crash with breach of conditions, including having contact with the man who was killed in the accident and violating a court-imposed curfew. Police have identified the charged man as 20-year-old Abdirahman Said Ahmed.

Didsbury RCMP Cpl. Warren Wright said additional Criminal Code charges related to the crash are pending against Ahmed.

Shortly after 3 a.m. on Oct. 1 Didsbury RCMP, Didsbury Fire and provincial EMS were dispatched to a two-vehicle collision on the highway between the Carstairs and Didsbury overpasses.

Police say a black 2005 Chevrolet Impala had been travelling northbound on Hwy. 2 when the driver lost control in the northbound lane, crossed into the centre medi-

an, went through the retaining cable fence, and struck a southbound silver 2009 Mercury Grand Marquis.

The 20-year-old driver of the Impala was transported to Calgary with non-life-threatening injuries. The 23-year-old front seat passenger was not injured and released at scene.

The 24-year-old backseat passenger was not wearing his seatbelt and was fatally injured from the collision.

EMS worked on him while transporting him to the Didsbury hospital where he was declared deceased. All three men were from Edmonton.

The elderly couple from Red Deer in the Grand Marquis - the 70-year-old driver and his 65-year-old passenger - were transported to Didsbury Hospital with minor injuries and were later released.

At the time of the accident the couple were driving to the Calgary International Airport for a vacation flight to Reno, Nevada.

Wright said alcohol was a factor in the fatal collision.

He said the matter is still under investigation.



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Didsbury Municipal Library hosting 'Snapshot Day 2011'



Johnnie Bachusky/Didsbury Review

Inez Kosinski, manager of the Didsbury Municipal Library, sorts through inter-library loan bags. Every month the library borrows and lends out about 3,000 items, including books, videos and CDs. These same items will be counted on 'Snapshot Day 2011', scheduled for Oct. 27.

BY JOHNNIE BACHUSKY
Review Staff

The Didsbury Municipal Library wants local residents to collectively tell them how important the institution is to them on 'Snapshot Day 2011'.

On October 27, Didsbury Municipal Library will compile statistics, customer comments, photographs and other data chronicling a typical library day.

The results at Didsbury Municipal Library will be added to those of public libraries across Alberta to show how libraries provide invaluable services.

Inez Kosinski, the manager of the local library, said the local public institution is being used and enjoyed by more people every year. She said residents of Didsbury, Mountain View County and beyond come to the library to borrow books, audio books, DVDs, music, and magazines - for all ages. Eight free computers are available along with a WiFi hotspot, she said.

The concept for Snapshot Day originated with the New Jersey State Library Association, and has spread throughout the U.S. and Canada.

The purpose of the day is to create a 'snapshot' of what happens in a library in a single day, to help them and their advocates demonstrate how the institution impacts the people who visit the library and the communities in which they live.

"We are going to have comment cards. We hope to get a lot of feedback from our patrons," said Kosinski. "I am looking for their stories on why libraries are important to them."

"Sometimes citizens think it is just about popular fiction," she added. "But we use libraries for many things, including for work, improving skills and for health information." She said the Didsbury library has previously done a "snapshot" of its institution. The results were put in an annual report.

In the 2008 annual report, the library included "A Day in the Life..." section. Among many findings the library noted on that day every public computer was in use, 284 books were checked out, half a dozen teenagers were "hanging" out in the Teen Zone, and 12 children were in the After School Program. For more information on 'Snapshot Day 2011' contact the library at 403-335-3142.

Town considers alliance to end domestic violence

BY JOHNNIE BACHUSKY
Review Staff

The town will consider partnering with the Peer Support Services for Abused Women (PSSAW) in a continued goal to end domestic violence.

At council's regular meeting on Sept. 27 Andrea Silverstone, executive director of PSSAW, asked council to formally adopt a policy of zero tolerance on abuse. She told council members her group would even help them craft the policy.

She also asked council to participate in a University of Calgary study on domestic violence, adding that the town could help by providing information into the study's research.

"What this will mean for women is that it will be safe to come forward in this town," said Silverstone.

Council agreed to direct administration to study the requests and to come back with a report on how best the town could help the group.

"I don't see how this would be an issue," said Mayor Brian Wittal to council members following Silverstone's presentation. "I think it is certainly feasible, something we can incorporate and get that information out."

Silverstone's group has been to council before. It asked



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Andrea Silverstone, executive director of Peer Support Services for Abused Women (left) and agency vice-president Melody Bundt-Witwer were at town council Sept. 27 hoping to convince members to adopt a zero tolerance policy for the town on domestic violence.

for funding in 2010 but was denied. The group tried again for this year but was refused again. However, they appealed and did receive funding for this year. The funds went towards the group's Inspiring Teens program.

Silverstone said the motives behind the Sept. 27 presentation were not solely to seek additional funding. She said it was important for her group to continue to raise awareness of the issue of domestic violence. "We believe municipalities are partners in ending domestic violence," said Silverstone, whose group serves Mountain View County, Calgary, Crownsnest Pass, and for one year, the Town of Bowden.

"Part of what we want is funding but we also want to make them aware of issues and understand how they can partner with us to addressing and ending domestic violence. It is less about money and more on how we can work as partners."

She said domestic violence remains an ongoing issue of concern throughout Mountain View County. According to the group's statistics, 24 domestic assaults were reported to Olds RCMP in 2008, 71 per cent of those surveyed said that they or someone they know were affected by domestic abuse, 87 per cent of those surveyed saw a need for support services for those experiencing abuse and 70 per cent said they or someone they know would access services if available.

"We want to do prevention work, not just intervention," said Silverstone. "The more we speak about domestic violence the more victims will seek support."

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